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to have such information by submitting it late. We could send your legislative fiscal analyst staff out to an agency ahead of time and make some effort to gather that information so we could responsibly budget. You can talk all you want to about the prestige and power of the Legislature and its ability to coerce cooperation from the agencies but it just isn't there. It has been a problem that has plagued Appropriations Committees far before I was here and far before many of us...any of us were here, I would suggest. To borrow a phrase from Senator Lewis, you know that we need some sort of an enforceable penalty to responsibly prepare a budget. Even Senator Lewis' mother does. I think that it is time that we got on to more important business and pass this bill on Final Reading.

PRESIDENT: Senator Marvel.

SENATOR MARVEL: I would just like to make a point or two. Regardless of what this Legislature does with this bill, the introduction, advancement of this bill has accomplished a major purpose and that is to bring focus on the importance and the difficulties involved in Appropriations. I can understand the frustration of those who would like to strike this. I would suggest to them that they also show some frustrations and they refer to the, to one...they constantly refer to the one time that we decided to call the Governor's bluff and say, OK, you want your Budget bill so bad. Here it is. I would suggest to you that he did not do as well with that bill as some have indicated due to the deficiency appropriations that had to be introduced later on and I hope and I sincerely hope that those who are battling against this bill today will help us when the appropriations bills come out this time to stand up and to thoroughly discuss them so we know the problems involved in the financing of state government that come before this legislative body. One of the difficulties, again, is that the appropriations bills do not consist of all of the money problems of this state. We have a constant job of trying to focus on priorities, needs in expenditures. This is going to be a constant battle. I think we have succeeded this morning in, at least, gaining a reasonable amount of time of talking about these particular issues and I hope that between now and the end of this session, we have additional discussions because even if the language gets a little tough sometimes, I am willing to stand up here and do my best to try to clarify what I think some of the problems are and we have plenty of them. This bill is not going to solve all of them but, at least, it is beginning to focus on some of these problems and that is exactly what the purpose of the bill was suppose to be, at least in its initial stage. I still feel that the bill, regardless of the kind of language that has been used to discuss it, has a function. It ought to be passed. It ought to be sent to the Governor for his consideration.

PRESIDENT: Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. President, on behalf of this august body, I move the previous question.